

Friday 15th March 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

Headteacher Update

As we reach the end of another very busy week at NSG, and with not even two whole weeks left before the end of this term, I wanted to take a moment to congratulate all the students that took part in the Duke of Edinburgh (DofE) activities last weekend. Led by Mrs Webster, who does an impressive job of organising and planning our DofE events, 139 Year 9 students attended their Bronze DofE practise activities over the course of last weekend here at NSG. This represents 49% of that year group and demonstrates an incredible level of engagement from our students in this year group in particular. It is wonderful to see so many of our students participating in the DofE and seeing them develop an increasingly broad range of skills as part of this.

Madrigalis 'Ensemble': Saturday 16th March

To celebrate 30 years of Madrigalis, our prestigious award-winning choir, Mr Reid and Mr Parker have organised a concert at St Matthews Church, Northampton on Saturday 16th March from 6:30pm to 8:30pm. As part of the concert students are undertaking an ambitious in performance of Faure's Requiem, a vocal piece with Orchestral accompaniment. We are particularly delighted to be joined by over 50 members of our Madrigalis Alumni, members who were previously part of the choir as students years ago, making this event a very special one for us all. Tickets are available through our box office here:

<https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/spinney-theatre/madrigalis-assemble-30-years-strong/2024-03-16/18:30/t-pqgxraa>

Unite 2024: Sunday 17th March

Following the exceptional performance of our wonderful Year 13 dance group at Junction 24 last weekend, we are proud to host our annual dance extravaganza, Unite 2024, this **Sunday 17th March**. Our students have been very busy rehearsing and preparing for the event and there was the usual buzz of excitement this lunchtime as the dance groups worked together to go through their dance routines. Many thanks to all the staff involved in the plans for the event, to our student choreographers (who are exceptional) and to all the students involved. This is always an upbeat and joyous dance event, and we hope that many of you will be able to join us in supporting the students from our school and those from other local secondary and primary schools also. For more information, please visit our website here: <https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/spinney-theatre/unite-2024/e-eempvb>



Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND) Coffee Morning: Tuesday 30th April

As we continue our commitment to an inclusive environment at Northampton School for Girls, we are excited to extend an invitation to you for our upcoming Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND) Coffee Morning, which will take place on **Tuesday 30th April from 10.00am to 11.20am.**

The SEND Coffee Morning aims to provide an opportunity for parents and carers to come together in an informal setting to discuss and share experiences related to special educational needs and disabilities. As part of this, we also hope to continue to strengthen our sense of community and enhance the support network available to families within our school.



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In collaboration with local experts and partners, the morning aims to increase connections with parents and carers, provide insights into our school's commitment to SEND, and share advice and guidance.

In partnership with:

- NORTHAMPTON SCHOOL FOR GIRLS
- SEND (Special Educational Needs and Disabilities)
- West Northants Voices in Partnership

*If I get to be myself, I belong.
If I have to be like you, I fit in*
Ebene Brown (quoting a 12 year old) • Artist: Lui Ferrayra

We are pleased to confirm that we will be joined at the Coffee Morning by West Northants Voices in Partnership, a parental group linked directly to West Northants Council, alongside other representative groups from the locality. It is our intention to host a series of Coffee Mornings focussing on SEND over the course of the year.

Ramadan

Thank you to all parents and carers that responded to our survey about whether your child will be fasting during Ramadan. The information that has been shared with us has been immensely helpful in enabling us to ensure that we have sufficient spaces available for our students to pray and to ensure that we can make any necessary modifications to curriculum provision also during that time.

Wishing you all a good weekend,



Cristina Taboada-Naya | Headteacher

